IN THE CLAIMS:

1.   (Currently Amended) A print driver executable on a user's personal

computer responsive to a selection of a print option from any application program, the

print driver being stored on a memory medium readable by the user's personal computer,

the print driver comprising:

computer-executable code configured to receive output from an application

program; and

computer-executable code configured to generate print output from the

application program output, the print output conforming to a scalable vector graphics

(SVG) language, which is a standardized device independent output format,

wherein the computer-executable code configured to generate the print

output further comprises computer-~~readable~~ executable code configured to convert

absolute ~~coordinates~~ coordinate values to SVG dimensions which indicate physical lengths

using a width and height viewbox designation in the print output in accordance with

physical dimensions of an output medium and a desired resolution.

2.   (Cancelled)

3.   (Previously Presented) A print driver according to Claim 1, wherein

the application program output comprises Graphic Device Interface (GDI) commands.

4.   (Previously Presented) A print driver according to Claim 1, wherein

the scalable vector graphics (SVG) language permits a hierarchy of elements, wherein the

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computer-executable code configured to generate print output further comprises:

computer-executable code configured to track a state change associated with a hierarchical level defined in the application program output and determine when to include the state change in the print output.

5.   (Original) A print driver according to Claim 1, wherein the computer-executable code configured to generate print output further comprises:

computer-executable code configured to cache at least one path element in the application program output and generate a corresponding path element in the print output when a paint path element is encountered in the application program output.

6.   (Cancelled)

7.   (Original) A print driver according to Claim 1, wherein the computer-executable code configured to generate print output further comprises:

computer-executable code configured to embed image data within an element definition of the print output.

8 to 9. (Cancelled)

10.   (Currently Amended) A method executable by a print driver executing on a user's personal computer and responsive to a selection of a print option from any application program, the print driver method comprising:

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a receiving step to receive output from an application program; and

a generating step to generate print output from the application program

output, the print output conforming to a scalable vector graphics (SVG) language, which is

a standardized device independent output format,

wherein the computer-executable code configured to generate the print

output further comprises computer-~~readable~~ executable code configured to convert

absolute ~~coordinates~~ coordinate values to SVG dimensions which indicate physical lengths

using a width and height viewbox designation in the print output in accordance physical

dimensions of an output medium and a desired resolution.

11.   (Cancelled)

12.   (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 10, wherein

the application program output comprises Graphic Device Interface (GDI) commands.

13.   (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 10, wherein

the scalable vector graphics (SVG) language permits a hierarchy of elements, wherein

generating print output further comprises:

tracking a state change associated with a hierarchical level defined in the

application program output and determine when to include the state change in the print

output.

14.   (Original) A method according to Claim 10, wherein generating

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print output further comprises:

storing at least one path element in the application program output and generating a corresponding path element in the print output when a paint path element is encountered in the application program output.

15.   (Original) A method according to Claim 10, wherein generating print output further comprises:

converting absolute coordinates to physical lengths using a width and height viewbox designation in the print output.

16.   (Original) A method according to Claim 10, wherein generating print output further comprises:

embedding image data within an element definition of the print output.

17 to 18. (Cancelled)

19.   (Currently Amended) A computer-readable memory medium in which computer-executable process steps are stored, the process steps for execution by a print driver and responsive to a selection of a print option from an application program, the process steps comprising:

a receiving step to receive output from an application program; and

a generating step to generate print output from the application program output, the print output conforming to a scalable vector graphics (SVG) language, which is

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a standardized device independent output format,

wherein the computer-executable code configured to generate the print output further comprises computer-~~readable~~ executable code configured to convert absolute ~~coordinates~~ coordinate values to SVG dimensions which indicate physical lengths using a width and height viewbox designation in the print output in accordance with physical dimensions of an output medium and a desired resolution.

20.   (Cancelled)

21.   (Previously Presented) A computer-readable memory medium according to Claim 19, wherein the application program output comprises Graphic Device Interface (GDI) commands.

22.   (Previously Presented) A computer-readable memory medium according to Claim 19, wherein the scalable vector graphics (SVG) language permits a hierarchy of elements, wherein the generating step to generate print output further comprises:

a tracking step to track a state change associated with a hierarchical level defined in the application program output and determine when to include the state change in the print output.

23.   (Original) A computer-readable memory medium according to

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Claim 19, wherein the generating step to generate print output further comprises:

a storing step to store at least one path element in the application program output and generating a corresponding path element in the print output when a paint path element is encountered in the application program output.

24.   (Original) A computer-readable memory medium according to Claim 19, wherein the generating step to generate print output further comprises:

a converting step to convert absolute coordinates to physical lengths using a width and height viewbox designation in the print output.

25.   (Original) A computer-readable memory medium according to Claim 19, wherein the generating step to generate print output further comprises:

an embedding step to embed image data within an element definition of the print output.

26 to 27.   (Cancelled)

28.   (New) A print driver executable on a user's personal computer responsive to a selection of a print option from any application program, the print driver being stored on a memory medium readable by the user's personal computer, the print driver comprising:

computer-executable code configured to receive output from an application

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program; and

computer-executable code configured to generate print output from the application program output, the print output conforming to a scalable vector graphics (SVG) language, which is a standardized device independent output format,

wherein the computer-executable code configured to generate the print output further comprises computer-executable code configured to convert absolute coordinate values to SVG dimensions in accordance with physical dimensions of an output medium and a desired resolution, and computer-executable code configured to cache at least one path element in the application program output and generate a corresponding path element in the print output when a paint path element is encountered in the application program output.

29.   (New) A print driver according to Claim 28, wherein the application program output comprises Graphic Device Interface (GDI) commands.

30.   (New) A print driver according to Claim 28, wherein the scalable vector graphics (SVG) language permits a hierarchy of elements, wherein the computer-executable code configured to generate print output further comprises:

computer-executable code configured to track a state change associated with a hierarchical level defined in the application program output and determine when to include the state change in the print output.

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31.   (New) A print driver according to Claim 28, wherein the

computer-executable code configured to generate print output further comprises:

computer-executable code configured to embed image data within an

element definition of the print output.

32.   (New) A method executable by a print driver executing on a user's

personal computer and responsive to a selection of a print option from any application

program, the method comprising:

a receiving step to receive output from an application program; and

a generating step to generate print output from the application program

output, the print output conforming to a scalable vector graphics (SVG) language, which is

a standardized device independent output format,

wherein the computer-executable code configured to generate the print

output further comprises computer-executable code configured to convert absolute

coordinate values to SVG dimensions in accordance with physical dimensions of an output

medium and a desired resolution, and computer-executable code configured to cache at

least one path element in the application program output and generate a corresponding

path element in the print output when a paint path element is encountered in the

application program output.

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